

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 25, 2021

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Warmer temperatures along with limited precipitation occurred throughout the state last week, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil moisture level conditions rated adequate to surplus decreased from 54 percent last week to 50 percent. Statewide, barley planted is currently at 58 percent complete with emergence at 21 percent complete, both below last year's progress. Statewide, corn planted is currently at 5 percent complete, well below last year's progress. Box Elder County reports farmers were waiting for additional moisture until planting corn. Beaver County reports livestock producers are moving cattle and sheep out to pastures. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs moved to pasture are at 18 percent and 21 percent, respectively. Cattle and calves and sheep and lambs receiving supplemental feed were at 70 percent and 56 percent, respectively Cows calved were 75 percent complete, farm flock ewes lambed were 68 percent complete, and range flock ewes lambed were 41 percent complete. Farm flock and range flock sheep shorn are at 62 percent and 52 percent complete, respectively. As of April 26, 2021, snowpack in Utah was 59 percent measured as percent of median snowfall. Hay and roughage supplies were rated 15 percent very short, 29 percent short, 55 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 21 percent very short, 37 percent short, and 42 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated 5 percent very poor, 21 percent poor, 54 percent fair, 19 percent good, and 1 percent excellent.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Barley		-		-		
Planted	58	49	72	70		
Emerged	21	12	42	37		
Corn						
Planted	5	2	22	8		
Tart Cherries						
Fully bloomed	31	20	29	17		
Cattle and calves						
Cows calved	75	69	83	89		
Moved to pasture	18	8	24	27		
Receiving supplemental feed	70	74	58	51		
Sheep and lambs						
Ewes lambed – farm flock	68	62	82	90		
Ewes lambed – range flock	41	30	41	54		
Moved to pasture	21	12	34	37		
Sheep shorn – farm flock	62	55	72	72		
Sheep shorn – range flock	52	49	65	70		
Receiving supplemental feed	56	58	40	45		

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for field work	6.8	5.9	6.8	5.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	14	13	1	2
Short	36	33	27	17
Adequate	50	54	68	68
Surplus			4	13
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	19	18	4	3
Short	38	32	24	19
Adequate	43	50	70	71
Surplus			2	7

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	4 ,	d ,	4 ,	d ,
Very poor	1	NA		NA
Poor	9	NA	3	NA
Fair	40	NA	21	NA
Good	49	NA	71	NA
Excellent	1	NA	5	NA
Other hay				
Very poor	3	NA		NA
Poor	9	NA	5	NA
Fair	26	NA	28	NA
Good	59	NA	63	NA
Excellent	3	NA	4	NA
Pasture and range	-			
Very poor	23	28	1	1
Poor	39	34	8	6
Fair	35	36	53	38
Good	3	8	35	43
Excellent			3	12
Winter wheat				
Very poor	13	10	3	1
Poor	31	25	12	8
Fair	33	34	40	28
Good	20	28	39	52
Excellent	3	3	6	11
Cattle and calves				
Very poor	1			
Poor	5	8		2
Fair	27	34	16	17
Good	63	55	76	70
Excellent	4	3	8	11
Sheep and lambs				
Very poor				
Poor	6	6	2	2
Fair	41	44	29	23
Good	49	46	60	65
Excellent	4	4	9	10

NA – not available

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